

ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Richmond, August 11, 1863.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 109. }

I. A general pardon is given to all officers and men within the Confederacy, now absent without leave from the army, who shall (within twenty days from the publication of the address of the President in the State in which the absentees may then be) return to their posts of duty.

II. All men who have been accused or convicted, and undergoing sentence for absence without leave, or desertion, except only those who have been twice convicted of desertion, will be returned to their respective commands for duty.

By order.

S. COOPER,
Adjutant and Inspector General.